

AN UNLUCKY DAY.—Last Saturday seems to have been exceedingly prolific in disasters and accidents. Besides the drowning of the two boys and the destruction by fire of Mr. Shalleross' barn near this town, two serious accidents occurred near Smyrna, by one of which one man, Mr. James Stroud, lost his life, and by the other another man, Abel J. Porter, was most severely injured. These happened at home as it were. In addition to these the papers of Monday teemed with accounts of fatal accidents and murders on that ill-starred day; quite a number of the accidents being the drowning of persons by the breaking of ice on which they were skating.

Mr. AUGUSTUS SCHULTZ, Chairman of the Democratic National Executive Committee, has issued a call for the Committee to assemble at Willard's hotel, Washington, February 22, 1876, to decide on the time and place for holding the convention of the Democratic party to nominate candidates for President and Vice President. It would seem that, in this centennial year there was only one place for the constitutional party of the country to hold a convention, and that place the city of Philadelphia—the birth-place of the nation—and the time July 1st. The business of the convention could in three days be transacted, the candidates decided upon, and on the fourth of July announced to the public, with a platform whose first plank should be the Declaration of Independence and the last the Constitution of the United States. The immense concourse of people who will be in Philadelphia on that day could not help feeling pleased with the idea, and the Democratic party gain many strong supporters from Conservative patriots throughout the land who would be favorably impressed with the patriotism that thus celebrated the birth of the nation's new century.

Proceedings of Congress.

SENATE—Monday, Jan. 17.—Session occupied in the presentation of bills and petitions and in discussion of the report of the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE.—Mr. O'Brien, of Maryland, presented a bill for the erection of a new postoffice building at Baltimore, and a bill proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States in regard to free schools and religious freedom. Mr. White, of Kentucky, moved for a suspension of the rules, so as to bring a general amnesty bill before the House. The motion was lost by a vote of 165 yeas to 110 nays, two-thirds not voting in favor. Mr. Holman wanted to suspend the rules and pass a resolution declaring it unwise and inexpedient to fix a specified period for the resumption of specie payment, and asking for the repeal of the resumption act of 1874. Rejected by 112 yeas to 158 nays. The bill appropriating \$1,500,000 towards the Centennial was called up, and Mr. Hardinbraugh, of New Jersey, addressed the House in favor of it.

SENATE—Tuesday, Jan. 18.—Mr. Thurman presented the credentials of James B. Rustin, claiming a seat as Senator from Louisiana. On motion of Mr. Dorsey, of Arkansas, the Committee on Pensions was instructed to inquire into the expediency of restoring the franking privilege. A resolution was adopted, on motion of Mr. Edmunds, of Vermont, requesting the President to furnish the Senate with copies of correspondence with other governments in regard to the Centennial Exhibition.

HOUSE.—Mr. Proctor Knott, of Kentucky, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a constitutional amendment making the President ineligible to a second term. Bills were passed extending the time for presenting claims before the Alabama Commission three months and the time for stamping unadopted instruments until Jan. 1, 1877. Mr. Williams, of Wisconsin, introduced a supplementary amendment to Mr. Blaine's Constitutional amendment, prohibiting the appropriation of public funds to any sectarian school or institution.

SENATE—Wednesday, Jan. 19.—Mr. Dennis, of Maryland, presented resolutions of the Baltimore Board of Trade in favor of an appropriation by Congress in aid of the Centennial Exhibition. Mr. Morton, of Indiana, began one of his characteristic "bloody shirt" tirades about the alleged frauds in the Mississippi election, rehearsing his oft-told stories of murder, intimidation, &c., but yielded the floor for the consideration of Executive nominations. Mr. Davis' resolution for an investigation of the accounts of the Treasurer was discussed, but no action taken.

HOUSE.—The session was pretty much taken up with the discussion of the Centennial Appropriation bill.

News Items.

James Stephens, late head centre of the Fenian Brotherhood at the United States, died in Paris recently. At one time he created quite a sensation in this country.

Mrs. Eliza Johnson, widow of the late ex-President Johnson, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Patterson, near Greenville, Tenn., on Sunday last in her 65th year.

Governor Hartranft, of Pennsylvania, was inaugurated into a second term of office, at Harrisburg, on Tuesday. Various political clubs and military companies attended the inauguration and made a brilliant display.

The jury at Indianapolis, on Saturday, in the case of the internal revenue gauger McGuff, returned a verdict of guilty on nine of the twelve counts against him, convicting him of receiving bribes, making false returns, conspiracy, &c., in connection with the whiskey ring.

The P. A. & P. Association.

Meeting last Saturday.

Mr. Editor.—Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1876, was to our great credit, Middletown, one of the most eventful days of the Centennial year, long to be remembered. The sun arose in all its splendor, fringed with crimson gold, yet like other things of this world it was doomed to have its splendor dimmed. It soon became overcast with clouds that were ominous; for the news soon came upon us, like a clap of thunder, that two of our young men had been drowned. Next came the alarm of fire when every person seemed to be almost paralyzed, wondering what would come next. The hour of two o'clock P. M. was the time set for the meeting of the Peninsula Agricultural and Penological Association, which turned out to be the great event of this day. Many gentlemen from a distance, strangers among us, yet members and stockholders in the Association, were on hand, a thing to which our citizens were unaccustomed to see upon such occasions, and at once shrouded the minds of our people with doubt. The sight of such a winding sheet convinced them that some great catastrophe was about to happen by which our great institution, the P. A. & P. A., was to be broken up and entirely annihilated. Our gentlemanly Chairman, Wm. R. Cochran, Esq., at once called the meeting to order, when the minutes of the last meeting were read and declared approved. The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Managers were read, some approved and others referred to the next meeting. Finally a resolution was offered and adopted, appointing a committee upon land for permanent location of fair ground, when there arose in our midst the ghost that had been enshrined in the winding sheet. It was nothing more than a poor Granger, yet its sudden appearance in our midst almost took all the thunder out of our great guns. It made its appearance in the shape of a Resolution offered by Professor E. D. Porter, of the Delaware State Agricultural College: "Resolved that it is the sense of this meeting of stockholders of this Association, that a premium of one hundred dollars be given to our next exhibition the best and greatest display of articles." The Prof. prefaced the presenting of his resolution with a few remarks in his easy, happy and pleasant manner, which had the effect to appear to strike dumb those that were present, for none attempted to reply. The question was called at once. The chairman not being able to decide which side had carried the question and every thing being in an apparent uproar, Bill Dean arose and, in his usual blunt manner, asked the Chairman to allow him to make a few remarks, which was granted. After he had been talking some ten minutes some person in the crowd had so far forgotten his place as to disclose that Dean was out of order and called him to order, when he at once dropped into his seat as though he had been shot, yet not before he had told some plain truths and which, upon some of our people, were not without effect, but others it set saving, judging from their actions. When the question was again called and the chairman decided it was lost. Then our gentlemanly Secretary, J. Thos. Budd, Esq., arose and offered the following: "Resolved that the board of managers be requested to take into consideration the propriety of offering a premium of One hundred dollars at our next exhibition to any Grange upon this Peninsula whose members take the greatest number of premiums." It was not until this period of the proceedings that the storm broke forth in all its fury, when His Excellency, the Governor, in an excited manner, said that if he knew any thing of Parliamentary usages no two resolutions just the same could be acted upon, or entertained at the same meeting. He was, as usual, satisfied that ours is a good Governor but when he undertakes to instruct Grangers in Parliamentary usages he may possibly get beyond his depth. He said this was not a Grangers' Association and they did not want any thing to do with Grangers; the next thing he expected was that Masons and Odd Fellows would be asking for premiums. Prof. Porter again arose and replied to His Excellency, which appeared to arouse him to greater fury when Samuel Townsend, Esq., in his usual lamlike style, expressed his views. He must not have been well for he soon subsided apparently overcome by his great efforts. At this time, appearing to take advantage of the opportunity, up-jumped that everlasting talker, Dean. He got the floor apparently having revived from the effects of that shot which levelled him on a previous occasion, and went at it again as though nothing had happened, and he did put in some most telling licks. He said as a Granger, he had but one object and that was the elevation and general welfare of the American Agriculturalist to their true position in society, and he thought that making the P. A. & P. A. what its name indicated was one of the means of accomplishing his desired object but by allowing it to degenerate into a body of Chas. Jones members, he intended to demoralize its members, and in the end would break up the organization. B. Cunningham, Esq., in his gentlemanly and pleasant manner, spoke for sometime and replied to the remarks of Mr. Townsend in regard to having to pay Grangers to come to the exhibition, by asking were not the Horse Jockeys paid to come when a premium of \$800 was offered for a single race and which money was taken away by a single horse, and he wanted to know how much that had benefited the Peninsula Agriculturalist? Why not pay grangers? After Mr. C. had concluded, Mr. H. A. Nowland, our able Representative to the Legislature, announced himself as a granger but said as he was an interested party he could not vote for the resolution. After which the question was called. The chair announced the resolution lost; when a division was called for and those in favor of the resolution were required to go into the room with the chairman, and about a dozen men, mostly strangers and many of them from a distance, were all who responded; but when the negative was called, then it was that Middletown knew her true interests, and knowing them, dare maintain them. The next business in order was the election of officers, which went on smoothly until that everlasting turmoil of a Dean came to vote and voted 5 shares for himself and then

offered to vote 5 shares for the New Grange, a representative. Having subsided and paid for the stock in the name of the grange, he held the certificate in his hand, and here it was that a difficulty arose, by one of the election officers, a man more verdant than the name which he claims would indicate, object in to Dean voting this stock, which at once put Dean upon his mettle and he said, "as the association by the acts of its officers had taken his money they were bound either to take his vote or give him back his money." The latter is one of the things our people are not guilty of yet Dean was persistent for one or the other being done. He was independent and did not appear to care which. The officers and many of the stockholders present were in favor of receiving the votes, but the verdant man, like a Green Mountain remained firm to the position which he had assumed. Finally the votes were taken regardless of his dissent. Another little incident that came under the eye of your correspondent was the following: An elderly red faced Englishman (whose head looked as though it wanted a new covering of thatch) who had been intently watching the proceedings, happened to say if the thing went on as it was going to-day the whole thing would be played out and in four years, which remark seemed to raise the ire of a man present who did not appear to be much of a talker, but judging from his quick stepping manner, was a great walker. This man with pocket-book in hand, wanted to put up his money that the thing would not play out, but this said old Englishman declined to risk his money. The foregoing are some of the incidents that presented themselves to the eyes of your correspondent as a few of the events of an ever eventful day long to be remembered in the annals of Middletown.

A SQUANDER AND LOOKER ON.

(Communicated.)

Nineteen Sheriff's Sales.

The sheriff of New Castle county publishes this week, in one paper, nineteen sales of real estate. One by one the homes of the poor are being sold from them. No matter how many days and weeks of incessant toil; how much pinching and saving has been endured in the earliest straits to obtain a permanent home; no matter if from the sale only enough be realized to cover the mortgage (held by some money broker who in all probability advanced the cash generously at twelve per cent discount and six per cent interest); no matter if the eight or ten hundred dollars saved and paid by the laborer be sacrificed and he and his little family turned out of doors, the mortgage must be paid, that the lender, already rich, may grasp more wealth and invest it in other loans to again foreclose and realize regardless of the sufferings and misery entailed upon the victims of his greed. "How long, O Lord! how long," might well be the cry of hundreds and thousands of suffering humanity that day after day are struggling blindly or hoping against hope for some measure of relief. Business is dull, labor is unemployed, and the incessant "tramp, tramp, tramp" of the homeless, wearily passing from place to place seeking work, is the best evidence that Mr. Davis' resolution of inquiry into the national finances is of more and deeper interest to the country than Quixotic speeches from Presidential aspirants on amnesty. Congress should adopt some measures of financial relief to the country at large that would employ more labor and give less work to the sheriffs; that would recall the wandering tramp from his weary pilgrimage and lighten the load of care from the heart of many a helpless widow and orphan child who scarce can tell where their next meal is to come from. Willing to work and none to be had, and daily cry, and yet no effort is being made to give relief, and the red flag of the sheriff haunts gaily in the breeze.

ANON.

[Much of the trouble and distress of which our correspondent complains is too often traceable to the sets of the distressed persons themselves aided in vast measure by the ruinous credit system which pervades to such an almost unlimited extent among the agricultural portions of our peninsula, and, indeed, throughout the land. No cash payer was ever sold but by the Sheriff. If men would be satisfied to live within their incomes, and go no further in debt than they knew they could pay; do business on the means they have, instead of borrowing money at "12 per cent," to extend their operations, the Sheriff would have much less work to do. To his last proposition that the "weary tramps are willing to work and no work can be had," a rather derogatory answer is found in the reports of strikes by the operators in large factories, etc. Though the prices for all kinds of manufactured goods have returned to almost their ante-bellum condition, the workmen have never been willing that their wages should be subjected to a like reduction, but insist in endeavoring to keep them up to the high standard attained during the war, and whenever the employer seeks to make a reduction they "strike" and try by the means of unions, &c., to force a compliance with their demands. Then many of them quit and complain that they cannot get work when in reality they can get work, but not at their prices.]

Concerning Church Worship.
Mr. Editor.—I have noticed that in our churches there is a practice among the majority of those attending service (including members) of abruptly turning their heads at the entrance of every late comer. What makes the practice worse, it is most deserving portion of his sermon, and the interruption is often so great that he is obliged to stop his discourse for a minute or two. Some persons, especially ladies, go to church and make it a point to take a seat at the end of the pew next to the aisle, and thus obstruct the other portion of the pew from the use of gentlemen, for if one crowds past them he is invariably rebuked as the clumsiest man in the world. Can't we have some beneficial change?

ALEXIS.

The firm "bad custom" to which our correspondent alludes is one that has been complained of from time immemorial. People in church always would, and we presume always will, turn around to see who is coming in, and there is no use to try to stop them: as is done in many churches in Canada, the pulpit be placed near the entrance so that all persons entering the house must pass before the congregation instead of behind them. That would prevent the necessity of turning around to see who is coming in. As to the second it admits of no excuse whatever. Whether intended to be so or not, it certainly looks rather selfish, or at least thoughtless, to see one person block the entrance to a pew as he, or she, intended to keep the whole of it to himself. It would be, as well as look, much better for each one, man or woman, as he, or she, comes in to take the seat in a pew furthest from the entrance, so that one would not have to push by another. The habit of gentlemen getting up for ladies to pass in is all nonsense. Let each sit in the order in which they come in, and much useless annoyance and confusion will be prevented.]

"Religious Proscription."

(Communicated.)

Mr. Editor.—Your article last week on "a third term," etc., refers to what you call "the revolution of Bishop Haven passed by the Methodist conference in Boston."

You will allow me to correct a misapprehension which your words imply. First, there has been no Methodist conference in Boston for several years. Second, no Methodist conference anywhere else in the United States has passed any resolution, nor entertained one, in favor of "a third term." Third, no such resolution has been offered by Bishop Haven at any conference, nor anywhere else.

The statement "going the rounds" after a resolution offered—a nomination made—a two hours speech in favor of it—voicerous applause—and a universal support by acclamation—is all a fabrication by the imagination reporters, whose assumed infallibility they refuse to correct when denied and disproved by unquestionable authority.

The truth is this and nothing more: After the close of a public anniversary meeting of the Methodist S. S. Union, of which Bishop Haven was not even one of the speakers, when the audience had retired he arose and, overcoat in hand, talked to the remnant ten or twelve ministers—incidentally advised the Grangers' nomination. That is the source of that mountain. Small cause of alarm! A handful of prayers won't rout him out.

L. C. MATAACK.

[We accord space to the above communication with much pleasure. It is a sincere gratification to know that there is so little of truth in the oft repeated story of "the confirmation of Bishop Haven's third term resolution" by the M. E. Conference, and having erred in adopting as true what has been "going the rounds" we acknowledge the error and gladly print the correction from our much esteemed correspondent.]

The Philadelphia and Reading Coal companies started operations in seven collieries in the latter part of last week, about eighteen more, on Monday.

New Advertisements.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, JANUARY 14, 1876.
Upon the application of HENRY CLAYTON, Administrator of NATHAN FRANK, late of St. Georges Hundred in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the said Administrator give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be published in the public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate of the said deceased to bring the same to the said Administrator, at the office of the Register, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, on or before the 15th inst. and to be continued therein two months. Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, this 14th day of January, 1876.
S. C. BIGGS, Register.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the Administrator on or before January 14th, 1877, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case.
HENRY CLAYTON, Administrator.

Address—Mt. Pleasant, Del.
Jan 22—2m

SOMETHING NEW.

Carriage Harness \$10.00 per Set.
Having located in Middletown, for the purpose of carrying on the Saddle and Harness Making business, will keep constantly on hand and make to order all kinds of Carriage, Wagon, Cart and Plow Harness; Saddles, Bridles, Halters, Collars, Back Bands, &c.
Also, a good assortment of Horse Covers, Lay Breeches, Blouse Boots, Traces, Traces and Halters Chains, &c., all of which will be sold as low as can be bought in the city. Call at the store room on Main street, opposite the Centennial machine shop, and examine and be convinced.
A. H. RUSSELL.
N. B.—Repairing done promptly and at moderate prices.
Jan 22—3m

CENTENNIAL HOTEL.

CROFTON, MARYLAND.

I respectfully inform the public that I have recently opened the above house, and offer to them good accommodation at all times, both in meals and sleeping apartments. Horses and Carriages to hire at all hours.
N. B.—An Oyster and Terrapin Supper will be given on Thursday Evening, January 27, 1876. Tickets, \$1.00.
J. W. ROBINSON.

LOST.

On the road between Taylor's Corner and Middletown, a lady's FUR BOA. By returning the same to the owner, a reward will be given and receive a proper reward.
L. B. LEE.
Jan 22—2m Middletown, Del.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC SALE.

The subscriber will sell at Public Sale, at his farm near Warwick, Cecil county, Md.,

On Tuesday, February 8th, 1876,

The following property:
5 HEAD OF WORK HORSES,
And 2 Cols,

7 HEAD OF CATTLE,

2 Wagons, 1 two-horse Peach Dearborn with 3 springs, peach wagon springs, peach rigging, 1 Corn Sheller,

ONE GRAIN FAN,

1 Champion Reaper and Mower COMBINED, ONE SLEIGH,

1 Drill, 1 Hay and Straw Cutter, 1 Horse Rake, Plows, Harrows, Cultivator, 1 Roller, Plow and Wagon Harness, 1 Grindstone, Shovels, Forks, Hoes, 1 set of Tools, a lot of Grain Bags, 1 Family Carriage with Double Harness, 1 Buggy.

TERMS OF SALE.—All sums of \$20 and under to be paid in cash; all over \$20 a note to be given for ten months, interest added, with approved security, payable at the Citizens' National Bank of Middletown.

Jan 22—ls H. MORTON.

NOTICE.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ORPHANS' COURT.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Trustees of the Orphans' Court of the State of Delaware will be held at the Almshouse in said county, on WEDNESDAY, January 26th, at 10 o'clock A. M. All persons having claims against the Board are requested to present them to the Trustees for their hand before the day of meeting.

JOHN W. EVANS, Clerk.

TO THE TAXABLES

OF St. Georges Hundred.

Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of the requirements of the Act of Assembly in this behalf, the undersigned will attend at the following named places, on the days named, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., for the purpose of collecting all taxes due that are unpaid, to-wit:

At Alex. Maxwell's Hotel, in Middletown, on Friday and Saturday, January 21st and 22nd.

At My Home, near Summit Bridge, on Monday, January 24th.

At Montgomery & Sons' Store, in St. Georges, on Tuesday, January 25th.

At Yarsley's Hotel, in Port Penn, on Wednesday, January 26th.

At Henry D. Paulsen's Hotel, in Odessa, on Thursday, January 27th.

Persons liable to pay poll tax as delinquents, are hereby notified that, in case of default, the collector will proceed to collect such taxes immediately, by due process of law.

ST. GEORGES RD., NEW CASTLE CO., JAN. 10, 76

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Anderson's Drug Store,

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Constantly on hand a large stock of well-seasoned material, from which the best Wagon can be accommodated at short notice. Also, a large stock of

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which has met with universal favor, having been tried in nearly every State.

REPAIRING neatly and promptly attended to.

We are selling low for cash.

L. V. ASPRIL & SON,

ODESSA, DELAWARE.

January 15th, 1876—1f.

FOR RENT.

A DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE, with large lot attached, on High street, in the town of Odessa. Rent low. Possession given on March 25th inst. For particulars, apply to or address

NO. 12 POLK ST., WILMINGTON, DEL.

Or, Wm. R. LEBLANC, Odessa, Del.

January 15—1m

FOR SALE.

The STOCK and FIXTURES of a wheelwright shop, doing a good business. Will be sold low for cash.

R. J. WARNER.

St. Augustine, Fla.

HARNESS WANTED.

The person or persons who borrowed the full SET OF HARNESS from my stable last Tuesday, 11th inst., will confer a favor by returning the same to the owner.

JAMES C. TOWNSEND.

Townsend, Jan. 14—3t

FOR RENT.

A WHEELWRIGHT SHOP—a No. 1 stand—at Fieldsboro, Del. Possession given March 25th, next. Apply to

JOHN LIND, Fieldsboro, Del.

Jan 15—1m

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

New Castle County National Bank of Odessa, JANUARY 15th 1876.

The Directors have this day declared a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT. for the last six months, clear of all taxes, payable on and after the 15th inst.

J. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

Citizens' National Bank, Middletown, Del., January 4th, 1876.

The Directors have this day declared a Dividend of FOUR (4) PER CENT. on the earnings of the last six months, payable to the stockholders on and after the 15th inst.

J. R. HALL, Cashier.

Jan 8—4t

FOR SALE.

A very desirable DWELLING HOUSE, with garden and stable attached, elegantly situated on Main street, Middletown, Del., containing 11 rooms, bath room and kitchen; also, a lot fronting on Main street 50 ft. and 40 ft. on a cross street, with a depth of 150 ft., having a frame storehouse erected thereon; also, a lot of 2 ACRES on Lake street. Apply to

THOMAS MASSEY, Middletown, Del.

Jan 22—2m

AUCTIONEERING.

W. A. HUKILL.

Will continue, as heretofore, to call sales of real and personal property, through the aid of public and private, for a moderate compensation. Grateful for past favors he solicits a continuation of the public patronage.

November 20—3m.

Real Estate for Sale.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, made the 12th day of September, A. D. 1875, will be exposed to sale at Public Auction, at the Hotel of Jackson Bryant in the town of Middletown,

On Monday, January 31st, 1876,

AT 12 O'CLOCK, M.,

The following described lands and tenements, being the Real Estate late of Mary R. Lockwood, deceased, to-wit:

No. 1. Situated in Middletown, Saint Georges Hundred, in said County, beginning at a stone on the west side of the public road leading from Middletown to Summit Bridge, a corner for these premises, and lands of Charles G. Ash and wife, thence with the west side of said road, S. 10 deg. west, passing over a stone, the northern limit of the town 21-40 perches to a stake at the N. W. corner of Broad and Lockwood streets, thence with the north side of said street, S. 81 deg. W. 21-20 perches to a white marble stone No. 1, and dated 1875, said stone being on the north side of said street, a corner for this lot and in the line of lot No. 2, thence leaving said street and for a new line now being made dividing this lot from lot No. 2, N. 81 deg. W. 20 perches and 21 links to a white marble stone marked No. 2 and dated 1875, standing in line of lands of Charles G. Ash and wife, a corner for this lot and lot No. 2, thence with the line of Ash and wife's lot, S. 80 deg. 20 min. E. 20-60 perches to the stone and place of beginning, containing 2 ACRES and 121 SQUARE PERCHES OF LAND, be the same more or less.

No. 2. Adjoining No. 1—beginning at a white marble stone marked No. 2, and dated 1875, set in the line of lands of Charles G. Ash and wife, a corner for this lot No. 1, thence with the line of No. 1, S. 81 deg. E. passing over a white marble stone set on the north side of Lockwood street, 22 perches and 14 links to a stake in the centre of Lockwood street, and at the west end of said street as now opened, a corner for this lot and lands of Jesse Lake, thence with the line of Lake and wife's lot, S. 81 deg. W. 12 perches and 7 links to a stake, corner for Lake and this lot and in a line of lands of Samuel Penington, thence with Penington's lot, S. 12 deg. W. 12 perches and 7 links to a stake, corner for Penington and this lot and in a line of lands of Charles G. Ash and wife, a corner for this lot and lot No. 2, thence with the line of Ash and wife's lot, S. 80 deg. 20 min. E. 20-60 perches to the stone and place of beginning, containing 2 ACRES and 121 SQUARE PERCHES OF LAND, be the same more or less.

No. 3. A lot of land in Middletown aforesaid, bounded by Broad and Crawford streets, and containing NINE THOUSAND SQUARE FEET, more or less.

No. 4. A lot of land situate in Middletown aforesaid, lying on Broad and Wilson streets, and containing NINE THOUSAND SQUARE FEET, more or less.

No. 5. A lot of land in Middletown aforesaid, fronting on the public road leading from Middletown to Mt. Pleasant one hundred and twenty-five feet, thence on Washington street one hundred feet, thence by the lot of Lewis Miller or the West one hundred and twenty-five feet to the Academy lot, thence by said lot one hundred feet to the beginning, be the contents thereof more or less.

And it is ordered that the purchaser or purchasers thereof, be and appear at the next Orphans' Court for New Castle County, that the Court may assign to him, her or them the premises sold pursuant to said order, he, she or they, with sufficient surety or sureties to be approved by the Court, entering into recognizance to the State to be taken and acknowledged in said Court, in a penal sum, to be determined by said Court, with condition to pay to the parties entitled to said premises, their just and proportionate shares of the said purchase money with interest from and until the time as the Court may determine, in manner and form as may be by the direction of the said Court be prescribed and appointed.

Attendance will be given and terms of sale made known at

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SATURDAY MORNING, JAN. 25, 1876.

Local and State Affairs.

Items of Local Interest.

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Poor of this county will be held at the Almshouse on Wednesday, 26th instant.

Col. Clayton is hauling the bricks for the new addition he intends to put to his wife's property, on the corner of Main and Broad streets.

Henry Clayton, Esq., has taken out letters of administration on the estate of Nathan Frame, late of St. George's hundred, deceased. See notice.

John H. Rodney, Esq., as trustee, advertises several valuable farms and other real estate to be sold at public sale within the next three weeks.

George Cannon, of Wilmington, in attempting to jump off the cars while they were in motion fell and knocked two of his front teeth out and otherwise hurt himself.

John W. Robinson, proprietor of the Centennial Hotel, at Cecilton, Md., advertises an Oyster and Terrapin supper at his house on the evening of January 27. Tickets, \$1.

Frank Wilson, the unfortunate lad who was accidentally drowned on Saturday last, was not a member of the Middletown band, as was erroneously stated by a Wilmington paper.

At the annual Convention of the Grand Chapter of the State of Delaware, held in Wilmington on Wednesday last, Mr. J. Thos. Budd, of this town, was elected Deputy Grand High Priest.

At the monthly meeting of the Mutual Loan Association of Middletown, held on Tuesday evening last, funds sold at 80 cents per share premium. This Association is conducted on the new plan.

Miss Hickey, a young lady of Laurel, was badly but not fatally burned, by her dress catching fire on Monday of last week. Half of her body was burned to a crisp, and nearly all her clothes burnt off her.

The postoffice at Waplesville, Sussex county, has been discontinued, because the postmaster failed to make quarterly returns. It would have been more sensible to have "discontinued" him and let the office go to somebody else.

The ladies of St. Clement's church, Messrs. M., (of course, the gentlemen have nothing to do with it) are going to give a "Centennial Tea Party" in the Ballroom of the Cecil Hotel, on the evening of Thursday, January 27.

Mr. H. A. Russell has opened a harness store in this town, in the store opposite Pennington's machine shop, and has on hand a large and excellent stock of harness, saddles, bridles, lap covers, trunks, etc., which he offers at low rates and invites an inspection of. See advertisement in another column.

Maritime News.
At a meeting of Adoniam Chapter R. A. M., of this town, held on Tuesday evening, 19th instant, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: High Priest, J. T. Budd; King, John B. Roberts; Scribe, J. L. Gibson; Treasurer, A. G. Cox; Secretary, John W. Jolls.

Removal of Buildings.
R. A. Cochran, Esq., began the work of removing the old buildings formerly occupied by Messrs. Wm. L. Bucke & Son, as foundry, wheelwright and blacksmith shops, from their present locations to a lot on Green street, near the railroad, and adjacent to the new buildings recently erected by Messrs. Bucke & Son. This will put nearly all the agricultural implement works at that end of the town. The removal of these old buildings will leave vacant some very handsome lots on Main street, which Mr. Cochran will, no doubt, offer for sale for building purposes.

Serious Accident.
Abel J. Porter, a farmer living near Green Spring station, about three miles from Smyrna, on the Delaware railroad, was thrown from his horse last Saturday afternoon, while returning home from work, and badly hurt. One leg was broken and a bone in one shoulder. The accident occurred while Mr. Porter was driving over the bridge across Duck creek, caused by the deerborn running upon the abutment. It was reported here that Mr. Porter was killed, but the *Smyrna Times* says that he is still living, and who attended the injured man says, with proper care, he may recover.

A Belligerent Chicken Thief.
On Thursday night of last week, a Wilmington negro, named Bill Johnson, went into the farm of Mr. Wm. W. Strong, near Hare's corner, for the purpose of providing a supply of poultry from the gentleman's hen roost. The owner made by the disturbed chickens attracted the attention of Wm. R. Stroop, a son of the above named gentleman, who, discovering the negro in the hen house, locked the door, and got his gun and returned, accompanied by his brother, to the door while his brother prepared to give the thief the contents of his gun barrel. But the negro was too quick for them, and, bursting open the door, he rushed out and suddenly buried a brick bat at the head of Mr. Stroop, knocking him down and badly hurting him. Miss Stroop then snatched up her brother's gun and fired at the retreating negro but failed to hit him and he escaped. On Saturday morning he was captured by Officer Brinkley, of the Wilmington police force, but not without a hard fight, as he was more than usually courageous. "Red-roop" of his blackhead had the desired effect however, and the belligerent chicken thief was carried to the police station, where he was given a hearing and subsequently looked up to await the result of the inquiry of Mr. Stroop.

Large Fire—Farm Buildings Destroyed.
A disastrous and very destructive conflagration occurred upon the farm of S. F. Shatterson, Esq., near Armstrong's station, on the Delaware railroad, last Saturday afternoon, by which all his out-buildings, ex-

cept the granary, were completely destroyed. The fire originated from a wad from a gun with which a son of Mr. Shatterson had been shooting at squirrels in the roof of the barn. It fell upon some straw lying in front of the barn door, which ignited and the fire spread so rapidly that the buildings were all soon in flames, and despite the strenuous efforts of neighbors who hastened to the scene were speedily reduced to ashes, with the large portion of their contents. The burned buildings were two barns, one 60x32 feet, the other 118x32, cattle sheds, fences, &c. Besides these, there were large quantities of hay, straw, fodder, two great wagons, carriage, harness, two sheep, one lamb and one calf, which were burned. The burned buildings, sheds, &c., covered nearly half an acre of ground, and were very fine ones. The granary, which stood quite near the other buildings, was saved with great difficulty and hard work, by keeping carpets saturated with water, and spread over the roof. Mr. Shatterson is in Philadelphia at the time, and of course, knew nothing of the fire until he reached home. He estimates his loss at \$7,000, with only \$1,500 insurance in the Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of St. George's and Apoguinimik Hundreds.

A Sad Accident—Two Boys Drowned.
A catastrophe occurred near this town on Saturday last, in consequence of ice, and boys were skating on Drummond's mill pond, about a mile from town, and two boys, Curtis Layton and Frank Wilson, accidentally broke through the ice, and were drowned. The particulars of the misfortune, as far as we have been enabled to ascertain them, are substantially as follows: After skating for some time on the upper and narrower portion of the pond, where the ice was thick and strong, a number of the boys went to the lower and wider part, where the ice was not sufficiently thick to bear their weight. They then began, as all boys are apt to do, to banter each other as to who would venture furthest on the weak and cracking ice. After several ventures young Wilson, being a little lighter than his companions got out beyond a point where the ice would bear, which gave way, plunging him into water some ten or twelve feet deep. At the same time Layton, who was not far from him, broke in, as did also Eddie Clayton, son of Charles E. Clayton. Layton managed to get out and at once started to crawl on his hands and knees, over the treacherous ice to the assistance of his companion. Poor Wilson was now calling piteously for help. Hearing his cries, Leslie Schreitz, who, in the meantime had run to the aid of Clayton, hastened toward him as far as the depth of the water, the ice breaking under him, would admit, but was unable to render any assistance. Young Layton, however, had succeeded in reaching the drowning boy and stretching out his hand to him, which the other at once caught. Unable to bear the weight of both the ice gave way and both boys sank to the bottom of the pond together, never again to rise. A few bubbles arose to the surface alone telling their sad fate. The news soon spread and several persons hastened to the scene, and procuring a boat and grappling hooks worked their way through the ice and raised the bodies, which were found within a few feet of each other. As a singular coincidence it is said that the iron took hold of each in the same manner and in the same place, under the skate on the left foot.

Curtis Layton was the son of a widow lady of Middletown, upon whom the blow fell with much severity, as she is in somewhat straitened circumstances.

Frank Wilson was the son of Mr. W. W. Wilson, also of Middletown, and was the third of four children. Both boys were of about the same age. Layton would have been 16 had he lived one day more, and Wilson would have been 10 in April next.

Knowing Mrs. Layton's circumstances some pitying gentlemen started the circulation of a subscription paper, and a sum sufficient to decently inter the deceased boy was speedily raised.

THE FUNERAL.
On Tuesday morning, notice of the funeral having been announced in the various churches on Sunday, the bodies of the unfortunate victims were buried. The children of the Methodist Sunday School, of which the deceased boys were both scholars, attended the double funeral in a body, and it was a piteous sight to look upon, as the progress of children proceeded by the two coffins walked slowly down the street to the cemetery. Appropriate services were held in the church, conducted by Rev. Dr. MacLack and Patton, of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, the house being crowded with a sympathetic audience. After which the remains were laid away in the same grave, in the burial lot of Mr. Wilson. So as they were companions in life, in death they were not divided.

P. A. & P. Association.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peninsula Agricultural and Pomological Association, was held in the office of J. Thos. Budd, Esq., Secretary, on Saturday afternoon last (19th). Quite a large number were present, from various parts of New Castle county and the adjoining counties of Maryland. At about half-past 2 o'clock the Chairman of the Executive Committee, and acting President, Wm. R. Cochran, Esq., took the chair and called the meeting to order. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, after which the Board of Managers, through the Treasurer, and the Secretary made their respective reports, showing the financial condition of the Association to be as follows:

Buildings erected in 1874.....\$3,319 88
Buildings erected in 1875.....2,497 37
Bills receivable.....117 50
Balance in Treasury.....7 59
Total.....\$6,941 74

899 shares of capital stock.....\$4,498 00
Bills payable.....1,300 00
Profit and loss.....2,143 74
Total.....\$7,941 74

Net earnings for past two years carried to credit of profit and loss, \$2,143.74.

Messrs. Wm. Green, W. A. Comegys and W. F. Godwin were selected by the Chairman as a committee to audit the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer.

The Secretary stated that by a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Association the capital stock had been limited to 1,000 shares, and that about 92 shares remained unissued.

Prof. D. D. Porter, of Delaware Agricultural College, suggested the propriety of a further increase of the stock, and said that he believed the Granges of the Peninsula would subscribe for at least a hundred shares if it was offered to them, and any encouragement or inducement held out to them became exhibitors at the fair; that the Granges took a deep interest in the success of the Association, and were anxious to aid in improving the exhibition department so that strangers should be benefited by the display of the small exhibit of grain, as he understood several were last year. He was desirous that the fair should be a "Peninsula" and not merely a "Middletown" one, as many persons now regard it.

R. H. Cummins offered a resolution authorizing the appointment by the President of a committee of five to consider the propriety of

purchasing grounds for the permanent location of the exhibition buildings. Adopted; and Messrs. R. H. Cummins, E. W. Lockwood, H. A. Marshall, H. W. White and E. C. Pennington appointed as said committee. Prof. Porter presented the following resolution: "Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association, and the Pomological Association that the Board of Managers shall be authorized to offer a premium of \$100 to any grange on the peninsula, that shall bring to our next exhibition the best and greatest display of articles."

A similar resolution was also offered by Mr. J. T. Budd.

Mr. Porter's suggestion met with a most determined opposition and was denounced by several gentlemen in somewhat severe terms, and a lively discussion took place between Messrs. Porter, Townsend, Dean, Gov. Cochran and others. One gentleman loudly "objected to all debate" and tried to initiate the old Republican majority in Congress by "calling the previous question." But little attention however was paid to him. At length a vote was taken, a division demanded, and finally the question "decided overwhelmingly in the negative."

The objection for officers followed and, with the exception of a little unpleasantness caused by one of the tellers objecting to receiving the vote of the Newark Grange at the hand of Wm. Dean, who claimed a right to vote on the stock certificate which he held, passed off good naturedly, but with some little excitement on account of many friends of Mr. Budd, who had announced a determination to retire from the secretariat, insisting on attempting to retain him. This gave rise to the voting of two tickets, but the regular ticket was elected, and the old Board all retained except Mr. Budd, in whose place Mr. J. E. Clark was chosen Secretary. Mr. E. C. Pennington was also, added to the Board in place of Wm. R. Cochran, Esq., elected President.

There being no further business, soon after the vote was counted and the result announced, the meeting was adjourned, but not, however, until, on motion of W. A. Comegys, a resolution thanking the retiring Secretary for efficient services rendered and the faithful discharge of his duties, was adopted and ordered to be recorded among the minutes of the Association.

St. Anne's P. E. Church.
Through an exchange of ministerial courtesies, Rev. Mr. Little, of St. John's Church, Wilmington, will preach at St. Anne's, Middletown, on Sunday (to-morrow) and Mr. Butler, of the latter church, will preach at St. John's, Morning service, (in St. Anne's) at 10 A. M., evening service 3 P. M.

Maryland Affairs.
Narrow Escape—Charles Gunther and George Woodland left Port Deposit on last Monday evening in an open round-bottomed boat with a small flat-bottomed boat attached, for the purpose of fishing some thirty miles down the bay. On arriving near their destination they concluded to cross the bay, the wind at that time being very high and the sea rough. When about half way across, they lost their anchor and the boat fled, heading overboard their provisions, fishing tackle and clothing. They then got into the small boat which had commenced to fill. They worked manfully for life, hauling out water and trying to keep afloat. Gunther fell overboard, but managed to get back to the boat, the wind in the meanwhile blowing them ashore. Their clothes were frozen, but notwithstanding they fought manfully for life. The half-sunken boats finally were beached and soon dashed to pieces by the terrible wind and prevailing at the time. The young men at last reached the shore, nearly frozen. They then started their course for the nearest house, which was nearly three miles distant from their landing place. Gunther lost his two boots, all his fishing implements, provisions for a long cruise and his clothing. —*Elkton (Md.) Democrat.*

FIRE AND TWO CHILDREN BURNED.—Friday morning a tenant house near Hamilton, Talbot county, belonging to John Leonard, and occupied by Wm. Kinnaman, a colored man, took fire and burned to a cinder. Kinnaman was in the woods at work at the time, and his wife was at a neighbor's and the only occupants of the house were two children, one about four years and the other twenty-four months old. A colored man residing near by seeing the flames, hurried to the scene and heard the screams of the children, but the roof fell in immediately, and the fire having taken place inside, the poor helpless children were covered with the burning timbers, and before assistance could be rendered, both of them were consumed with the building. —*Elkton (Md.) Gazette.*

James C. Anderson, a brakeman on the Maryland and Delaware Railroad, was killed on Thursday week at Goldsborough station, in Caroline county, four cars passing over him, mauling and mangleing the body in a shocking manner. The cars were on the down trip. When near Goldsborough the brakeman, Mr. Anderson, in attempting to uncouple a car, by some means slipped and fell on the track, with the result as above stated.

A general temperance convention for Somerset, Worcester and Wilcox counties, will be held in Salisbury, Wilcox county, on Thursday and Friday, February 3 and 4. Some of the best temperance lecturers of the State are expected to be present and deliver addresses.

Two tracts of land below Bucktown, Dorchester county, containing 635 and 306 acres, have been sold to Mrs. Maria L. Hooper and Miss Jane P. White for \$4,800 and \$2,000, respectively.

Dr. George L. Hicks, John Tubman and James R. Wheatley have been appointed by his Honor Judge Stewart School Commissioners of Dorchester county for the next two years from January 1, 1876.

Mrs. Sarah Ash, relict of the late Jacob Ash, died at the residence of her son-in-law, Col. George R. Howard, in Elkton, on Tuesday morning, the 11th instant, in the 89th year of her age.

The postoffice at Lindseyville, Worcester county, has been discontinued.

A Bird Dies From Small-Pox.—A few weeks ago a gentleman of Baltimore wished to obtain a live red bird, and hearing that one was in the possession of a gentleman in this city visited the latter and purchased the bird. While the sale was being made the bird's owner, who had recently recovered from an attack of variola, took the bird from its cage, when it pecked at his finger. The purchaser took the bird to Baltimore, and as it was a very handsome one, took great pride in it. He was therefore much pained to see it, a few days after reaching his new home, begin to droop, as if ill. In the day of two more a rash appeared on its body, displacing the feathers, and the next day its head became swollen and covered with scab, and it died. At a loss to know what these peculiar symptoms meant, the gentleman called in his medical adviser, a prominent physician of Baltimore, who, after examining the bird, pronounced that it had died of

small-pox! Then the bereaved owner recalled the fact that the bird had pecked at its first owner's hand, as stated above, and it was concluded that it had contracted variola at that moment.—*Cumberland Daily News.*

KILLED BY A FALLING TREE.—On Saturday, the 8th instant Mr. Hugh Corrigan, a farmer who lived near the Hickory, in Hartford county, was almost instantly killed by being struck on the head with a large branch of a hickory tree, the felling of which he was superintending. Two men were engaged in sawing through the trunk of the tree, which was along the roadside. Mr. Corrigan stood in the road directing the work in order to prevent the tree from falling in the road. In falling however, it took the direction of the spot where he stood, and before he could escape one of the branches struck him on the head, crushing his skull. He was immediately raised up by the workmen, but never spoke afterwards, and died in a few moments.—*Belair Eagle.*

THE MARKETS.
MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY ISAAC JONES, JR.
Wheat, new,\$1.30 @ 1.35
Corn, yellow,50 @ 55 cts.
Oats, white,35 @ 38
Timothy Seed,4 25
Clover8.00 @ 8.50
Beans15 @ 20

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. M. REYNOLDS.
Eggs,20 cts. @ 25
Butter,25 @ 30
Lard,15 @ 16
Potatoes, new,50 @ 60
Onions,10 @ 12
Turkeys, dressed,10 @ 12
Geese,7 @ 8
Ducks,13 @ 15

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.
Prime red wheat,\$1.38 @ 1.43 @ bus.
No. 2,55 @ 60
Oats (Pennsylvania)40 @ 45 cts.
Clover seed,10 @ 12 1/2 @ 15
Timothy2.25

BALTIMORE MARKETS.
Wheat, good to amber,1.50 @ 1.56
Corn, white,50 @ 55
Oats,40 @ 45
Rye,75 @ 88

Remember This.
Now is the time of the year for Pneumonia, Lung Fever, Coughs, Colds, and fatal results of neglecting colds and coughs. *Bosche's German Syrup* has been used in this neighborhood for the past two or three years without a single failure to cure. If you have not used this medicine go to your Druggist, Dr. Chamberlain, Middletown, Del., or H. P. Baker, Odessa, Del., and get a bottle. It will relieve the worst case. If you have no faith in any medicine, just buy a sample bottle of *Bosche's German Syrup* for 10 cents and try it. Regular size for 75 cents. Don't neglect a cough to save 75 cents.

Positively the Best.
Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound is the very best compound ever prepared, advertised or sold by any person or under any name whatever—for the immediate relief and permanent cure of Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, Asthma, and all diseases of the consumptive type. It will thoroughly eradicate these alarming symptoms in one half the time required to do so by any other medicine. It is purely vegetable and contains not a particle of opium or other dangerous drug. Physicians all over the country endorse it as the most efficacious antidote known for all disorders of the throat and lungs. It never fails. Every bottle guaranteed to perform exactly as represented. Be sure to obtain Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound. Sold at C. Anderson's Drug Store, Middletown.

Business Locals.
New Orleans and Porto Rico Molasses, Choice Sugar Leaf Drops and House Syrup, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

CARRIAGES.
NOW is the time to purchase a cheap Carriage, as we are ready to sell our stock at cost to make room for Spring wares. These terms good until Feb. 1st, 1876. dec25-4t S. M. COX & BRO.

Rumford's Yeast Powder the best in the market, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

The best Mince Meat, 2 pounds for 25 cents Cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

Raising, Prunes, Citron, Dried Fruits, Canned Goods, new and fresh, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

Fine Dolls and Doll Heads at RICE'S.

Peter's best Buckwheat; Turkey's Island, Ashton, Ground Alum and Rock Salt in store and for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

Slides, Wagonbolts, Express Wagons and Coaches, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

The best yard wide 12 cent Bleached Muslin, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

An elegant Two-Button Kid Glove for 50 cents cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

Granulated Sugar 12 cents; A 11 cts. and B 10 cts. cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

BEILHEAD, Shipping Tags, &c., can be had at the TRANSCRIPT office, at very low rates.

No. 1, 2, and 3 Mackerel in barrels, half barrels, and by retail, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

A choice Rio Coffee, green, 25 cents, roasted 30 cents, cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

Ladies in need of a nice Silk Dress, call at S. M. REYNOLDS, and look at those Gaiety Black Silks at \$1.50 and \$1.75 per yard, just received direct from the importers.

Ladies call at S. M. REYNOLDS and look at the new assortment of Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, in all widths and prices from 10 cents and upwards.

ENVELOPES of all sizes, and letter heads with business cards, furnished, very cheap at the TRANSCRIPT office.

Clark's best Spool Cotton, 6 cents per Spool or 70 cents per dozen Cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

Ladies and Gents newest style Windsor Ties and Scarfs in all shades and widths from 20 cents to \$1.00, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

A full line of heavy Merino Underwear for Ladies and Gentlemen, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

The best 12 cent Hose in the market, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

1000 yards of the best Calicoes, selling off at 64, 7, 8 and 9 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

A good Black Tea for 50 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

HEADLIGHT OIL!!
SAFER, CLEANER,
BURNS LONGER and gives a more Brilliant Light than any other oil. For sale at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE, Jan 15-1f MIDDLETOWN.

Real Estate Sales.

EXECUTORS SALE

OF

REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a renewed order of the Orphans' Court of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle county, made the 24th day of December, A. D. 1875, will be sold at Public Auction, on

Thursday, 3d day of February, 1876, at 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.,

At the Hotel of Alexander Maxwell, in the town of Middletown, the following described lands and tenements, being the Real Estate late of Eliza Jefferson, deceased, the same being ordered to be sold for the payment of his debts, to-wit:

No. 1. All that farm or tract of land situated in Appoquinimik Hundred, New Castle county, and State of Delaware, and bounded as follows: On the west by lands of John Young, on the north by public road known as the "Blackbird" road, on the east by lands of Sassafras, on the east by public road leading from Green Spring Station, Del. R. R. to Clayton, and on the south by lands of Chas. B. Deane, George D. Bodwell, Peter Daria, and John Casperson, containing about 200 acres.

No. 2. All that farm or tract of land situated in Appoquinimik Hundred, New Castle county, and State of Delaware, and bounded as follows: On the south by lands of Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett and Stanley's heirs, on the east by lands of Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett and tract designated as No. 3 in the said order (the "Log Landing Farm") on the north by Blackbird Creek, and on the west by the public road from the village of Blackbird to Blackbird Landing, containing about 165 acres of land.

No. 3. All that farm or tract of land situated in the Hundred, County and State aforesaid, and bounded as follows: On the south by lands of John McCoy, on the east by the public road from Blackbird village to Blackbird Landing, and on the north and west by Blackbird Creek, containing about 175 acres of land.

The above premises are ordered by the Court to be sold free and clear of dower. Attendance will be given and terms of sale will be ascertained at the time of sale, by ANN JEFFERSON, WILLIAM H. JEFFERSON, Executors, or by their Attorney.

Attest: C. M. VANDERBILT, Clerk of Orphans' Court.

NOTICE.—The tracts No. 1 and 2 above described constituting valuable real estate known as Green Spring, will be sold separately or as one farm to suit purchasers.

No. 3 above described, constituting one tract containing about 340 acres, will be sold together, including the old and valuable landing on Blackbird Creek, known as "Blackbird Landing."

This land is of fine natural quality, and among the best in New Castle county, affording a fine chance to those seeking a remunerative investment in real estate.

Jan 15-1f

TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF

REAL ESTATE!

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, made the 28th day of September, A. D. 1875, will be exposed to sale, at public auction, at the Hotel of James C. Townsend, in the village of Townsend, on

THURSDAY, February 3d, 1876, at 12 O'CLOCK, M.

The following described lands and tenements, being the Real Estate late of Samuel Armstrong, deceased, to-wit:

No. 1. A tract of land known as the Shading Point farm on the south side of Blackbird Creek, containing the lands of the heirs of Eliza Jefferson, deceased, on the west, by other lands of the said intestate on the north, and by the public road leading from Blackbird village to Blackbird Landing, containing EIGHTY ACRES of upland and TWENTY ACRES of marsh, more or less, with Buildings and Improvements.

No. 2. A tract of land called the Briar farm, adjoining No. 1 on the west, also bounded by Blackbird Creek on the north, by lands of R. H. Armstrong and by the public road leading from Blackbird village to Blackbird Landing, containing EIGHTY ACRES of upland and TWENTY ACRES of marsh, more or less, with Buildings and Improvements.

And it is ordered that the purchaser or purchasers thereof, be and appear at the next Orphans' Court for New Castle County, that the Court may assign to him, her or them, the real estate herein described, to order, he, she or they, with sufficient surety or sureties, be approved by the Court, entering into recognizance to the State to be taken and acknowledged in said Court, to pay the purchase money to the parties entitled severally, their executors, administrators or assigns respectively, their just and lawful heirs and assigns, in full, and to execute and deliver to the parties entitled to the said purchase money with interest from such time as the Court may determine, in manner and form as may be by the direction of the said Court to be prescribed and appointed in said condition.

Attendance will be given and terms of sale made known at the time of sale, aforesaid, by JOHN H. RODNEY, Esq., Trustee, or by his attorney.

Attest: C. M. VANDEVER, Clerk Orphans' Court.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil county, in Equity, passed in Cause No. 517, Chancery, December 30, the undersigned as Trustee, will expose at Public Sale, at the Court House corner, in Elkton, Maryland, on

Tuesday, January 25th, 1876, at 12 O'CLOCK, M.

ALL THAT VALUABLE FARM,

in Sassafras Neck, in the First Election District of Cecil county, containing

240 Acres of Land

more or less, which was conveyed to George Reynolds by deed from Geo. C. Mackall and John H. Jamar, recorded among the land records of Cecil county aforesaid, in Liber D. S. No. 6, folio 535, &c.

This farm is improved by LARGE FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, two stories and an attic high, and containing six large rooms; a BARN and Stable, nearly new, and ample for the farm, together with other out-buildings, all in good repair.

The farm is a good neighborhood, convenient for the school, churches, and stores. The land is in excellent condition and of prime natural quality. The fencing is also good.

The terms of sale, as prescribed by the decree, are: One-half of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale; one-half of the residue, with interest on the whole residue, payable in one year from the day of sale; and the remaining half, with interest, payable in two years from the day of sale. The deferred payments to be secured by note or bond of the purchaser, with security to be approved by the Trustee.

Cost of deed to be paid by the purchaser.

